

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Los Angeles, California 90012

Chief Administrative Officer

At its meeting held May 31, 2005, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

"As a means of achieving the Department of Children and Family Services' (DCFS) goal of improved outcomes in prevention and a reduced reliance on detention, DCFS developed the Point of Engagement (POE) service delivery system. The current iteration of the State budget includes \$400,000 to assist Los Angeles County in the Countywide expansion of POE, and the Board of Supervisors should go on record in support of this possible allocation.

"The State Assembly Budget Subcommittee Number 1 and Senate Budget Subcommittee Number 3 adopted the May Revision with an additional \$3.5 million from the State General Fund for Child Welfare Improvement activities. The \$400,000 of this appropriation is for a Point of Engagement Model Expansion Evaluation in Los Angeles County. It is critical that the \$400,000 be retained in the State Budget as the funds would greatly support the DCFS Point of Engagement Countywide expansion plan that DCFS submitted to the Board in its report dated March 15, 2005."

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Yaroslavsky being absent), the Board took the following actions:

- 1. Instructed the Executive Officer of the Board to send a five-signature letter to Governor Schwarzenegger and the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation supporting the retention of \$400,000 in the State Budget which would assist the Countywide expansion of the Point of Engagement Model Expansion Evaluation, as a means of achieving the Department of Children and Family Services' goal of improved outcomes in prevention and a reduced reliance on detention; and
- 2. Instructed the County's Legislative Advocates in Sacramento to help ensure the retention of the \$400,000 in the State Budget.

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Each Supervisor County Counsel Director of Children and Family Services

Letters sent to:

Governor Schwarzenegger Each Member, Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation